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UXBRIDGE BOARD OF SELECTMEN MEETING MINUTES JUNE 8, 2009

<u>Present:</u> Chair Michael Potaski, Vice Chair Kevin Kuros, Clerk Beth Pitman, Selectman Cari Kay Robertson and Selectman Peter Baghdasarian. Also present Town Manager Michael Szlosek and Tracey Ante, Administrative Assistant.

Absent: None

NOTE: Some matters may have been taken out of agenda order but are presented below based on agenda order for ease of location information.

I. CALL TO ORDER AT 7:00 P.M.

Chairman Potaski called the meeting to order at 7:00PM and led the gathering with a pledge of allegiance to the flag.

- A. Announcements The Town Manager announced the plaque to commemorate members of town government that passed away while serving on duty will be dedicated at the next meeting. Mr. Potaski and Mr. Kuros noted their attendance at the Massachusetts BOS conference and discussed topic items. Mr. Potaski announced the Uxbridge Fire Dept and The Northern Rhode Island Firefighters League cordially invite the public to attend the 2009 Firefighter's Memorial and Parade Sunday, June 14, 2009.
- B. Citizen's Forum No one wished to be heard.

II. PUBLIC HEARINGS/SCHEDULED APPOINTMENTS

III. TOWN MANAGER REPORT

The Town Manager discussed the department reports. Union negotiations are scheduled. Mr. Potaski and Mr. Baghdasarian will attend meetings as designated. CMRPC selected the Town of Uxbridge for the Community Development award. The Town Manager will attend the event. Mr. Jeffrey Tibbetts was appointed to the Conservation Commission.

IV. OLD BUSINESS

- A. Budget Discussion The Board had general discussions relating to the budget.
- B. Class II License Jim Farrar Uxbridge Power Sports 374 West Street Following discussion, MOTION by Mr. Baghdasarian to grant the Class II license to Uxbridge Power Sports subject to and conditioned upon the applicant providing to the Board bonding and a completed application. The approval is limited to motorcycles and trailers. No ZBA approval is required. Seconded by Mr. Kuros, the motion carried unanimously.
- C. Cnossen Wellfield The Board had general discussions as relates to the wellfield. The Town Manager will obtain the Tata & Howard contract and the Cnossen documentation for the Board to review. The Board will continue discussions at a future meeting.



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- D. Town playgrounds Following discussions, the Town Manager will send out notification to the various organizations that the BOS requires prior notification before installation of any permanent structure.
- E. Charter The Board will continue discussions at a future meeting.
- F. Fee Review Town Clerk fees The Board reviewed Town Clerk fees. The Town Manager will review the changes and discuss with the Town Clerk.
- G. Update on Town Manager short term objectives and contract renewal Following discussion, the Town Manager will prepare a report on short term objectives. The Board will continue discussions at their next meeting.

V. <u>NEW BUSINESS</u>

- A. Resignation Conservation Commission Ms. Jennifer Moore and Mr. Peter Lewis submitted resignation letters. The Board thanked them for their service to the commission.
- B. Appointments Poll Worker Mr. Daniel Donovan, Ms. Kathleen Cleary and Mr. Joseph Ney, Jr. MOTION by Mr. Kuros to appoint Mr. Donovan, Ms. Cleary and Mr. Ney, Jr. as poll workers. Seconded by Ms. Robertson, the motion carried unanimously.
- C. Appointment COA Mr. Robert Gondek MOTION by Mr. Baghdasarian to appoint Mr. Gondek to COA. Seconded by Mr. Kuros, the motion carried unanimously.
- D. Mary Goldthwaite Trust Fund Mr. Bob Guerino with People First Interagency/Uxbridge Hardship Authority was present and informed the Board of their services provided to the community. He advised the Board, the Committee is seeking to administer a portion of the funding from the Mary Goldthwaite Trust to assist needy, qualified residents. The Board will review the trust and continue discussions at their next scheduled meeting.
- E. Alcohol Compliance Checks 2009 Town Manager advised the Board, the Police Department performed several compliance checks and noted a violation at Lynch's Riverview Wine & Spirits serving alcohol to an underage person. Following discussion, the Board requested the attendance of the Owner at a future meeting to discuss the violation. The Town Manager will send a letter.
- F. Renew/change Town Counsel FY 2010 The Town Manager will remind all department heads of existing policy that Town Manager needs to approve use of legal counsel. The Town Manager noted that there may be times to bring in outside counsel. The Town retains the right to retain any counsel they choose. MOTION by Mr. Kuros that the Town Manager notify current Town Counsel to retain current Town Counsel for FY 2010 at the nominal contract rate of \$125/hour. Seconded by Ms. Robertson. Mr. Baghdasarian declined to vote stating he will not accept an attorney telling you what you want to hear. Vote taken; by roll call vote (Potaski aye, Kuros aye, Robertson aye, Pitman abstained, Baghdasarian naye): 3-1-1.
- G. Historical Commission Charles R. Smith Memorial Park Mr. Albin was present on behalf of the Historical Commission and presented a proposed construction of a sign to erect at the park. Following discussion, MOTION by Mr. Kuros to approve the placement of the sign at the Charles R. Smith Memorial Park as illustrated in the photograph, subject to DPW



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approval. Seconded by Ms. Robertson, the motion carried unanimously.

VI. CORRESONDENCE/OTHER BUSINESS

Meeting Minutes. MOTION by Mr. Kuros to approve the May 26, 2009 Regular Session meeting minutes. Seconded by Ms. Robertson, the motion carried unanimously.

Meeting Minutes. MOTION by Ms. Robertson to approve the May 26, 2009 Executive Session meeting minutes. Seconded by Mr. Kuros, the motion carried unanimously.

VII. EXECUTIVE SESSION (MGL c39, §23B)

At 10:36PM, MOTION by Mr. Baghdasarian to enter into executive session under exemption #3 - to discuss strategy with respect to collective bargaining or litigation if an open meeting may have a detrimental effort on the government's bargaining or litigation position, with no further business to follow in open session. Seconded by Ms. Robertson. Vote taken; by roll call vote (Potaski – aye, Kuros – aye, Robertson – aye, Baghdasarian – aye, Pitman – aye), motion PASSED unanimously.

VIII. ADJOURNMENT: Next BOS Meeting July 13, 2009.

Minutes respectfully submitted by, Tracey Ante

Minutes approved by Board of Selectmen:

Chairman Michael Potaski

Selectman Peter Baghdasarian

Selectman Cari Kay Robertson

Clerk Beth Pitman

Attachments